UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS LUBBOCK DIVISION

STATE OF TEXAS and	§	
LUBBOCK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL	§	
DISTRICT,	§	
Plaintiffs,	§	
	§	CIVIL ACTION No. 5:21-CV-300
v.	§	
	§	
XAVIER BECERRA, in his official	§	
capacity as Secretary of Health and	§	
Human Services, et al.,	§	
Defendants.	§	

PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

Plaintiffs the State of Texas and Lubbock Independent School District move for a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction pursuant to Rule 65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

As set forth more fully in the brief filed in support of this motion, injunctive relief is warranted because Plaintiffs are likely to prevail on their claims that the Vaccine Mandate and Mask Mandate adopted by Defendants 86 Fed. Reg. 68,052 (November 30, 2021) is unlawful. Defendants lacked statutory authority to adopt it, failed to follow required procedures for adopting a rule, acted arbitrarily and capriciously when adopting the mandate, and made other legal errors. Moreover, the Vaccine Mandate and Mask Mandate will cause irreparable harm by requiring Head Start programs to terminate staff, contractors, and volunteers who fail to submit, by forcing some Head Start programs to shut down or cut back for lack of staff, and to expel children whose families fail to submit.

For the reasons discussed here and in Plaintiffs' brief in support, the Court should grant

Plaintiffs' request for a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

We hereby certify that it was not possible to confer because we do not yet know who has been assigned to defend Defendants. Under Local Rule 7.1(b)(3), this motion is presumed to be opposed.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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